

HB 420 -- Regulation of the Open Carry of Firearms by Political Subdivisions

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This bill specifies that in any jurisdiction in which the open carry of firearms is prohibited by ordinance, the open carry of a firearm cannot be prohibited if the person has a valid concealed carry endorsement from this state or a permit from another state that is recognized by this state in his or her possession at all times and displays the endorsement or permit upon the demand of a law enforcement officer and the firearm being openly carried is 16 inches or less in overall length. In the absence of any reasonable and articulable suspicion of criminal activity, a person carrying a concealed or unconcealed handgun cannot be disarmed or physically restrained by a law enforcement officer unless under arrest. Any concealed carry endorsement holder who violates these requirements may be issued a citation for an amount of up to \$35, but it will not be a criminal offense.